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## To Whom It May Concern:

It is my opinion, as a software developer and consumer, that Microsoft is NOT guilty of anti-competitive behavior and that the settlement worked out by the DOJ and the participating states is a good one and should be put into effect. I also feel very strongly that it is only Microsoft's few competitors (AOL, SUN, Oracle) that are causing this whole thing to happen purely for their own gain. None of them has products that are as cost effective for the software developer or consumer as those offered by Microsoft. Lets end this.

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